



Read to Achieve

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Read to Achieve – Request for Application

A Read to Achieve (RTA) grant application was posted on the KDE website Dec. 9, 2013, and this opportunity will close Feb. 3, 2014. KDE has received several inquiries about whether schools with existing RTA grants have to reapply. This is a new grant opportunity, so all interested schools (current and new) have to apply; however, part 6 of the scoring rubric gives additional points to school districts that demonstrate successful implementation of a prior RTA grant. It is important to have a reapplication process to ensure that effective programs are being used across the state and are positively impacting achievement.

KDE also has received inquiries about whether the timeframe for response can be extended. KDE appreciates that districts will need adequate time to respond. Grant applications are typically issued for four weeks or longer, and this application will be open for seven weeks. In addition, the timing of this grant award is important because KDE has to complete an evaluation of all RTA grant responses and provide districts with notice of RTA grant awards as soon as possible to allow districts to adequately take this into account in the spring when planning for the next school year.

The application can be found at:

<http://education.ky.gov/districts/business/Pages/Competitive%20Grants%20from%20KDE.aspx>

All grant questions should be e-mailed to KDERFP@education.ky.gov.



Important Dates



January 15

The second Program Evaluation Report is due.

February 1-4

2014 national Reading Recovery & K-6 Classroom Literacy Conference

February 25

The third RTA webcast will be available on CIITS.



Program evaluation

The second program evaluation report is due by Jan. 15. This report consists of several questions about Read to Achieve implementation in your building. I will send a worksheet with the questions the first week of January so you will be prepared when you access the survey online.

On Jan. 8, I will e-mail a link to Survey Monkey. That is

where you will complete the actual survey. If you have looked at the questions prior to getting online, the survey should only take a few minutes.

Thank you for all your work completing reports accurately and promptly .